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TITLE: NOVEL PYRAZINE COMPOUNDS AS :  
TRANSFORMING GROWTH FACTOR (TGF)  
COMPOUNDS

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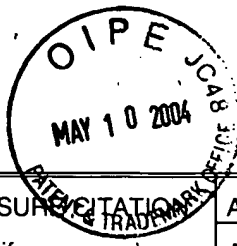
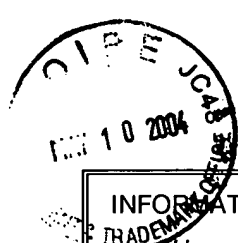
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